

DESIGNATING THE NAVIGATION LOCK ON THE SACRAMENTO  
DEEPWATER SHIP CHANNEL IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS  
THE WILLIAM G. STONE NAVIGATION LOCK

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Mr. FALLON, from the Committee on Public Works,  
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 15205]

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 15205) to designate the navigation lock on the Sacramento deepwater ship channel in the State of California as the William G. Stone navigation lock having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to designate the navigation lock on the Sacramento deepwater ship channel, California, as the William G. Stone navigation lock.

GENERAL STATEMENT

The existing project provides a deepwater channel between Susun Bay and Washington Lake, construction of a harbor and turning basin at Washington Lake and a connecting canal with a navigation lock from the harbor to the Sacramento River. It is this navigation lock which would be named after William G. Stone.

Mr. Stone spent a long and active life promoting a deepwater port for Sacramento, which he had first envisioned in 1916. He helped in the preparation of enabling legislation in 1937, which was enacted into law by the act of July 24, 1968. In 1948 he was named port director and served as such throughout the construction phase of the project. The new channel opened in 1962, the year Mr. Stone retired as port director. He died in October of 1969.

## COST TO THE UNITED STATES

Enactment of this legislation will not result in any cost to the United States.

## COMMITTEE VIEWS

The committee believes it is fitting and appropriate to name the navigation lock in the Sacramento deepwater ship channel in honor of the late William G. Stone, who contributed so greatly to the development of this major project.

## AGENCY COMMENTS

A letter submitted by the Department of the Army offering no objection to the enactment of H.R. 15205 follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY,  
Washington, D.C., May 26, 1970.

HON. GEORGE H. FALLON,  
*Chairman, Committee on Public Works,  
House of Representatives.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This is in response to your request for the views of the Department of the Army on H.R. 15205, 91st Congress, a bill to designate the navigation lock on the Sacramento deepwater ship channel in the State of California as the William G. Stone Navigation Lock.

The purpose of the bill is stated in its title.

The existing project provides a deepwater ship channel between Suisun Bay and Washington Lake, construction of a harbor and turning basin at Washington Lake and a connecting canal with navigation lock from the harbor to the Sacramento River. It is this navigation lock which would be designated the William G. Stone Navigation Lock.

We are advised that Mr. William G. Stone spent a long and active life promoting a deepwater port of Sacramento, which he had first envisioned in 1916 and helped in the preparation of enabling legislation in 1937 which was enacted into law by the act of July 24, 1946, Public Law 525, 79th Congress. In 1948 he was named port director and served as such throughout the construction phase of the project. The new channel opened in 1962, the year Mr. Stone retired as port director. He died in October of 1969. His long and close identification with this project is deemed to render the designation appropriate. Accordingly, the Department of the Army has no objection to the bill.

The Bureau of the Budget advises that, from the standpoint of the administration's program, there is no objection to the presentation of this report for the consideration of the committee.

Sincerely,

STANLEY R. RESOR,  
*Secretary of the Army.*

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